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ABSTRACT

Music is a universal language, and through the items in this bibliography, readers can find books about music, history, composers, performers, dancing and adventures relating to music, including foreign music and cultures. It contains annotations for 92 books that are available for free to the blind and disabled. Entries are arranged alphabetically by author, and also include title, a brief description, appropriate grade level (preschool through 9), and book numbers that differentiate the type of media that the book is available in (cassette books, braille books, and recorded computer disks). There is also an alphabetical title index that lists the page number where each can be found. An order form is provided to obtain copies of indexed books. (MAS)

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INTRODUCTION

Music is called a universal language. People all around the world have many different kinds of music. Like story-telling, music can tell the history of a country or tell much about its people. Music can stir your emotions, too. Some songs make you smile or dance; others make you thoughtful or sad. There are many kinds of music from classical to rock and from country to rap. There are many types of people who write and perform the music, too. There are the composers of long ago, like Mozart or Beethoven, and the musical artists of today, like Ray Charles or Paul McCartney. What is your favorite kind of music? Have you tried listening to others? Now is your chance to read about music, composers, dancing, and adventures relating to music. Take time to learn about music -- today's and yesterday's. It can tell you a lot about our neighbors around the world.

GUIDE TO BOOK NUMBERS:

RC	cassette book
CBF	cassette book (produced in Florida)
BR	braille book
FBC	computer produced braille (Florida)
FBR	thermoformed copy of braille (Florida)
RD	recorded disc
TB	recorded disc (older, the library usually has a single copy of these titles)

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BR02620 Aiken, Joan. THE MOONCUSSER'S DAUGHTER: A PLAY FOR CHILDREN.

A crime king and his band of henchmen go to great lengths to steal a mysterious treasure guarded by a light-house-keeper and his sea monster. Includes braille music notation. For grades 5-7.

RC30172 Aiken, Joan. THE MOON'S REVENGE.

Long ago when women wore shawls and men wore hoods, there lived a boy called Seppy. Seppy wanted to be the best fiddler in the world. He was told to throw seven shoes at the moon and his wish would be granted. But at what price? For grades 2-4 and older readers.

RC27948 Alexander, Lloyd. THE MARVELOUS
BR07412 MISADVENTURES OF SEBASTIAN: GRAND EXTRAVAGANZA, INCLUDING A PERFORMANCE BY THE ENTIRE CAST OF THE GALLIMAUFY-THEATRICUS.

Sebastian's misadventures begin when he is fired from the Baron's orchestra. Seeking his fortune elsewhere, he meets an orphaned princess who is running away to escape marriage. They join a circus where Sebastian is given a magic fiddle. For grades 4-7.

RC15241 **Berger, Melvin. THE STORY OF FOLK MUSIC.**
Examines the origins and evolution of American folk music including current trends, some famous performers, and tips for performing and writing one's own songs. For grades 5-8 and older interested readers.

BR00147 **Berkowitz, Freda Pastor. UNFINISHED SYMPHONY AND OTHER STORIES OF MEN AND MUSIC.**
In these brief sketches, the author tells how many other pieces of music, in addition, to the Unfinished Symphony, received popular nicknames. The second half of the book is devoted to the 16 composers of these. Short musical examples and a glossary are included. For grades 6-9.

RC21811 **Bethancourt, T. Ernesto. T.H.U.M.B.B.**
Tom and Aurelio belong to the most embarrassing, inept school marching band ever assembled. But Aurelio doesn't let that stop him. He recruits the Godzilla brothers, a squad of karate experts, and six of the prettiest girls who've ever twirled a baton. But mistake, the band is invited to march in the New York's St. Patrick's Day parade, and by luck, they hit the national news. For grades 6-9 and older readers.

BR08289 **Burstein, Chaya M. A KID'S CATALOG OF ISRAEL.**
A potpourri of information about Israel. Examines its geography, history, customs, language, folklore, music, recipes, and crafts. Suggests projects for readers and includes a "Mini-Encyclopedia." For grades 5-8 and older readers.

RC22142 **Byars, Betsy Cromer. THE GLORY GIRL.**
Anna Glory is a misfit—the only member in the history of her gospel-singing family who can't carry a tune. She feels left out every time her family sings their hand-clapping music, while she sells their records and tapes in the back of the auditorium. It takes the attack of a vicious prankster on the Glory Gospel Singers' bus to make Anna a real member of the family. For grades 6-9 and older readers.

RC31022 **Catalano, Grace. NEW KIDS ON THE BLOCK.**
Here's everything you've wanted to know about the popular teenaged singing group "New Kids on the Block." The five-member band from Boston landed a contract with Columbia Records in January 1986. Since then their records have become hits on the R&B, rap, pop, rock, and dance charts, and their success has been phenomenal. For grades 5-8 and older readers.

RC12485 **Collier, James Lincoln. THE GREAT JAZZ ARTISTS.**
Surveys the lives and music of musicians who have made jazz the influential and enduring musical form of this century. Includes such artists as Scott Joplin, Leadbelly, Billy Holiday, Charlie Parker, and John Coltrane. For grades 6-9 and older interested readers.

BR01662 **Collier, James Lincoln. WHAT MUSICAL INSTRUMENT SHALL I PLAY?**
Introduces the major families of instruments and weighs the advantages and disadvantages of learning to play each instrument. Includes material on jazz and rock groups and on several instruments not usually found in the symphony orchestra, such as guitars, sitars, and recorders. For grades 4-7.

BR01663 **Cone, Molly. LEONARD BERNSTEIN.**
For years, Lenny Bernstein's practical father firmly opposed his son's interest in music. But from the day his aunt's secondhand piano arrived in their home, 10-year-old Lenny knew that music was already part of his life. For grades 3-5.

BR00425 **Cretan, Gladys Yessayan. ALL EXCEPT SAMMY.**
Young Sammy has a problem because everyone in his family is musical, except him. For grades 3-5.

BR01719 **Cushman, Jerome. TOM B. AND THE JOYFUL NOISE.**
Tom B., a spunky little shoeshine boy in New Orleans, is ecstatic when one of the Preservation Hall musicians promises him trumpet lessons, until his angry grandmother forbids him to play that "sinful music" in her house. For grades 4-6.

BR03737 **Delaney, Monica. THE OSMONDS.**
Biography of the close-knit members of a Mormon family who became world famous as a rock group. For grades 4-7.

RC28675 **Duder, Tessa. JELLYBEAN.**
Ten-year-old Geraldine (Jellybean), lives in a small New Zealand city with her single mother, a professional cellist. She is lonely and tired of life with babysitters and as a tag-along to rehearsals and concerts. Things change however, with the appearance of Gerald, a British cellist from her mother's past. For grades 5-8.

BR03738 **Eron, Judy. CHARLIE RICH.**
About the career of the country music singer whose apparent overnight success took almost fifteen years of long, hard work. For grades 4-7.

RC12507 **First, Julia. MOVE OVER BEETHOVEN.**
Although aware of her talent as a pianist, seventh-grade Gina wants to participate in after-school clubs and social activities, while her mother wants her to spend all her free time practicing. A sympathetic and humorous story about adolescence for grades 5-8.

CBF1507 **Fleischman, Paul. RONDO IN C.**
As a young piano student plays Beethoven's Rondo in C at her recital, each member of the audience is stirred by memories. For grades K-3.

BR01244 **Forsee, Aylesa. ARTHUR RUBINSTEIN, KING OF THE KEYBOARD.**
A biography of the Polish-born, 20th-century pianist. The book emphasizes his natural exuberance and lifelong love of music. For grades 6-9.

BR00291 **Forsee, Aylesa. PABLO CASALS: CELLIST FOR FREEDOM.**
The life of a noted Spanish musician, from his youth to his festivals in Prades and Puerto Rico. For grades 6-9.

RC28057 **Galdone, Paul. OVER IN THE MEADOW.**
This well-known counting rhyme introduces the numbers one to ten using familiar animals. For preschool - grade 2.

RC25941 Greenberg, Keith Elliot. MADONNA.

Describes the life and career of rock singer Madonna Louise Veronica Ciccone, and the hard work and determination that made her the "it" girl of the 1980s. For grades 4-7.

RC33450 Greenberg, Keith Elliot. RAP.

Rap music—where a vocalist tells a story in rhyme accompanied by a rhythmic background—has become "America's freshest form of music," with its boasting, lecturing, and wisecracking. Once popular only among African-Americans in major East Coast cities, rap music spread throughout the United States among all races. The author traces the history of rap music, and includes a rap dictionary. For grades 4-7.

RC30893 Greene, Carol. WOLFGANG AMADEUS MOZART: MUSICIAN.

Mozart was born in Salzburg, Austria, in 1756, the seventh child of Anna Maria and Leopold Mozart. But only he and a sister, Maria Anna, lived past infancy. Young Wolferl soon showed himself to be an especially gifted musician. When he was only six, his father took him and his sister, also a gifted child, to play for Maximilian Joseph III. Mozart died in 1791. For grades 4-7.

RC19065 Greenwald, Sheila. GIVE US A GREAT BIG
BR05173 SMILE, ROSY COLE.

Uncle Ralph's books about Rosy's two older sisters, a dancer and an equestrian, made them famous. Now it is untalented, 10-year-old Rosy's turn, and when Uncle Ralph gets out his camera determined to make Rosy and her violin his next book, Rosy's troubles begin.

RC25639 Griffith, Helen V. GEORGIA MUSIC.

A little girl and her grandfather love to share the music they play on the mouth organ and the sounds of the birds, frogs, and insects of Georgia. One summer Granddaddy is so ill that the family closes his cabin and brings him back to Baltimore to live. Granddaddy is very sad until the little girl finds a way to recreate the sounds of Georgia. For preschool - grade 2.

RC14175 Grimm, Jacob. POPULAR FOLK TALES.

Thirty-one folktales including such classics as "The Bremen Town Musicians," and "The Twelve Dancing Princesses." For grades 4-7 and older interested readers.

RC16980 Harris, Stacy. COMEDIANS OF COUNTRY MUSIC.

Biographical sketches of twelve country music comedians including Minnie Pearl, Homer and Jethro, and George Gobel. For grades 4-7 and older readers.

RC19990 Hilibok, Bruce. SILENT DANCER.
Describes a very special day in the life of the author's ten-year-old sister, a deaf girl whose dream is to become a professional ballet dancer. Nancy and her hearing-impaired classmates learn ballet with the help of a skilled teacher, an interpreter, and hearing aids and loudspeakers to hear and feel the music to which they dance. For grades 3-6 and older readers.

RC23279 Hopper, Nancy J. HANG ON, HARVEY!
BR06288 Harvey Smucker has worse problems than his name. Eighth grade is off to a bad start. The new orchestra director doesn't seem to recognize Harvey's talent as a flutist; Harvey and his best friend take an interest in the same girl; and then there's nasty Jon Jamison, who is out to bully Harvey. For grades 5-8.

RC12523 Hughes, Langston. THE FIRST BOOK OF JAZZ.
BR03055 History of jazz examines its background and development from African drum beats and work songs to the blues, swing, and bebop. For grades 4-7.

CBF1509 Hurd, Thacher. MAMA DON'T ALLOW.
Miles and the Swamp Band have the time of their lives playing at the Alligator Ball, until they discover the menu includes Swamp Band soup. For preschool - grade 2.

BR03530 **Jacobs, Linda. ELTON JOHN: REGINALD DWIGHT & CO.**
Brief biography of the English performer known for his soft rock music, flashy clothes, and wild antics. For grades 4-7.

BR03529 **Jacobs, Linda. JIM CROCE: THE FEELING LIVES ON.**
Brief biography of the popular singer and composer who died in a plane crash just as he and his music gained fame. For grades 4-7.

RC26067 **Keats, Ezra Jack. APT. 3.**
BR01740 **One rainy day, Sam and Ben listen at all the apartment doors in their tenement, trying to discover who is making the haunting harmonica music they hear. For grades K-3. Print/Braille.**

BR06976 **Keene, Carolyn. DEADLY INTENT.**
Nancy Drew's trip to Radio City Music Hall to see the country's hottest rock group is marred when lead guitarist Barton Novak disappears minutes before the concert. Did Barton just walk away or was he kidnapped? Nancy takes the case, and what she uncovers could blow the lid off the music industry. For grades 4-7.

RC16110 Keene, Carolyn. THE GHOST IN THE GALLERY.
BR04270 A ghostly figure, a walking suit of armor, and a terrifying gargoyle in the prompter's box launch Jean and Louise Dana on the trail of a mystery as their class rehearses a musical. (Dana Girls Mystery Stories; 13). For grades 3-6.

RC08590 Keene, Carolyn. THE HIDDEN STAIRCASE.
Nancy Drew visits the family mansion of a close friend to discover the source of untraceable music, thumps, creaking noises, and eerie shadows. For grades 3-6.

RC16189 Keene, Carolyn. MYSTERY OF THE STONE TIGER.
BR04269 A black-robed ghost who roams the streets, eerie music that floats from a museum, and a phantom prowler who attempts to mutilate a magnificent marble tiger in the museum lead Louise and Jean Dana into a spooky and dangerous mystery. (Dana Girls Mystery Stories; 1). For grades 3-6.

BR00111 Kettelkamp, Larry. FLUTES, WHISTLES, AND REEDS.
The author discusses the instruments of the flute and reed families, and the pipe organ. He explains how their sounds are produced and gives directions for making a few simple wind instruments. For grades 4-7.

RC14534 **Krishef, Robert K. THE GRAND OLE OPRY.**
A history of the Grand Ole Opry discussing its early years as a local radio show, its growth into today's Opryland entertainment park in Nashville, and the stars such as Minnie Pearl, Dolly Parton, and Loretta Lynn. For grades 5-8 and older readers.

RC17041 **Krishef, Robert K. THE NEW BREED.**
BR04740 **Biographies of nine contemporary country music stars including Glen Campbell, Tom T. Hall, Ronnie Milsap, Dolly Parton, and Emmylou Harris. For grades 4-7 and older readers.**

RC17042 **Krishef, Robert K. WESTERN STARS OF COUNTRY MUSIC.**
Biographies of ten western performers in country music including Tex Ritter, Gene Autry, Roy Rogers and Dale Evans, and Hank Thompson. For grades 4-7 and older readers.

CBF1510 Kushkin, Karla. THE PHILHARMONIC GETS DRESSED.

It is Friday evening. Here and there, one hundred and five people are getting ready to go to work. Some of them take showers, others bathe. Some shave or trim their mustaches, others put on dusting powder and a little jewelry. Then they all get into special black and white clothes and travel to midtown with their instruments. There they will play beautiful music together in the orchestra. For preschool - grade 3.

BR02758 Langstaff, John M. SAINT GEORGE AND THE DRAGON.

An old mummer's play full of buffoonery and slapstick humor, mixed with solemn moments of mystery and magic. Includes script, music, costume suggestions, and stage instructions. For readers and amateur actors from grade 4 to adult.

RD19522 Lobel, Anita. TROLL MUSIC.

BR05463 A nasty troll casts a spell on the best musicians in all the land so that their beautiful instruments will play only ugly animal sounds. For grades K-3. Print/Braille.

BR00150 **Lyons, John Henry. STORIES OF OUR AMERICAN PATRIOTIC SONGS.**
The words and music of ten songs, with information on when, why, and by whom they were written. For grades 5-8.

RC25937 **Mabery, D. L. JULIAN LENNON.**
A biography of the eldest son of Beatles member John Lennon, who has also become a recording star. For grades 4-7.

RC25695 **Mabery, D. L. TINA TURNER.**
Describes the life, hard work, and determination of the rock star whose enduring career has spanned more than two decades. For grades 4-7.

RC31444 **MacLachlan, Patricia. THE FACTS AND FICTIONS OF MINNA PRATT.**
An introspective novel about an eleven-year-old girl on the verge of adolescence, set against the backdrop of classical music. Minna Pratt is a budding cellist who yearns to develop a vibrato and has to practice long and hard before she achieves it. Meanwhile she experiences her first boyfriend, Lucas—a new member of her string quartet—and prepares for a musical competition. For grades 4-7.

FBC113 **Mahy, Margaret. 17 KINGS AND 42 ELEPHANTS.**
Seventeen kings and forty-two elephants romp with a variety of jungle animals during their journey through a wild, wet night. For preschool - grade 2.

RC08658 **Marcus, Rebecca B. FIESTA TIME IN MEXICO.**
The music, feasting and fasting, costumes, and rituals of eleven sacred and secular Mexican holidays. For grades 4-7.

RC26092 **Markham, Marion M. THE THANKSGIVING DAY PARADE MYSTERY.**
When twins Kate and Mickey Dixon arrive downtown for the Thanksgiving Day parade, they discover that the entire marching band and the president of the bank have vanished, and the bank has been robbed. They soon figure out that Amos Amos, a lock salesman, is somehow responsible. For grades 2-4.

RC30856 **Martin, Bill, Jr. BARN DANCE!**
Unable to sleep on the night of a full moon, a young boy follows the sound of music to the barn, where he finds the animals holding a dance. Told in the rhythmic cadence of a square dance caller. For preschool - grade 2.

RC09584 Mathis, Sharon Bell. RAY CHARLES.

BR04236 Biography of the world-famous musician who has played to win against overwhelming odds. For grades 2-5.

RC14311 McCaffrey, Anne. DRAGONSONG.

Forbidden by her stern father to make the music she loves, Monolly runs away from Half-Circle Sea Hold on the planet Pern, takes shelter with fire lizards, and finds a new life opening up for her. Adventurous fantasy for grades 5-8.

BR04295 McCloskey, Robert. LENTIL.

The story of a small boy who can't sing but who can work wonders on a harmonica, especially on the day that great Colonel Carter comes to town. For grades K-3. Print/Braille.

BR07545 McKissack, Pat. MIRANDY AND BROTHER WIND.

First introduced in America by African slaves, the cake walk is a dance rooted in African-American culture. Couples strut and prance around a large square, accompanied by fiddle or banjo music. Judged by a panel of elders, the winning couple takes home a cake. Young Mirandy is determined to catch Brother Wind so that she can win the junior cake walk. For grades K-3 to share with older readers. Print/Braille.

BR02389 Mistral, Gabriela. CRICKETS AND FROGS: A FABLE.
The crickets and the frogs in the gully wage a musical battle to see which can sing the loudest. The text is in English and Spanish. For grades K-3. Print/Braille.

RC27710 Mitchell, Barbara. AMERICA, I HEAR YOU: A STORY ABOUT GEORGE GERSHWIN.
George Gershwin grew up in New York City, where he came to love the jazz music of Harlem and the classical music taught by his piano teacher. When he was fifteen he quit school and went to work as a "plugger" for a music publisher. Before long he and his brother Ira, a writer, began composing music together. They wrote many popular songs, Broadway shows, and film scores, and a folk opera, "Porgy and Bess." For grades 2-4.

RC28056 Mitchell, Barbara. RAGGIN': A STORY ABOUT SCOTT JOPLIN.
Born in Texarkana, Texas, just three years after the Civil War, Scott Joplin and his family loved music. At the age of twenty, Joplin left home to make his living as a musician, an extremely difficult task for a black man at that time. But Joplin would become a popular composer of music called ragtime, although his talents would not be fully recognized until after his death. For grades 2-4.

BR00963 **Molarsky, Osmond. SONG OF THE EMPTY BOTTLES.**
A young boy find collecting bottles a slow way to earn money for the guitar he wants, but his search pays off when it inspires a song. Includes words and music to "The Empty Bottle Song." For grades 3-6.

BR07712 **Ormondroyd, Edward. THEODORE'S RIVAL.**
Theodore is Lucy's beloved old teddy bear. When Lucy has a birthday party and her Uncle Benjamin sends her a brand new bear that plays music, Theodore is overcome with jealousy. Easy reading for grades 2-4.

RC23271 **Paterson, Katherine. COME SING, JIMMY JO.**
James has to change his name to "Jimmy Jo" when he is asked to sing and play his guitar on television. He's not too happy about that— or about leaving his Appalachian mountain home. But James finds that there are more difficult changes in store for him if he is to be a star. For grades 6-9.

RC13324 **Pizer, Vernon. YOU DON'T SAY: HOW PEOPLE COMMUNICATE WITHOUT SPEECH.**
Recounts the efforts of people to communicate without words, using such means as the voice, music, gestures, pictographs, and glyphs. For grades 6-9 and older interested readers.

BR00151 Posell, Elsa Z. AMERICAN COMPOSERS.
Brief sketches of 29 composers, relating the facts of each person's education, personality, and musical style. Includes Leonard Bernstein, John Philip Sousa, Charles Ives, and George Gershwin. For grades 6-9.

RC08570 Price, Christine. TALKING DRUMS OF AFRICA.
Rhythmic prose and poetry describe the history of talking drums as well as the ritual in which they are used and the stories they tell. For grades 2-5.

RC31865 Provost, Gary. POPCORN.
Twelve-year-old Mark and his friends Missy and Richard make up the band Popcorn. Mark has two goals in life: he wants Popcorn to be a big success, and he wants to get even with the bully Joel, "the troll." For help with both, he goes to Roger, his martial arts teacher. Roger teaches Mark the concept of visualization and Mark is on his way to achieving his goals. For grades 5-8.

BR07933 Rae, Mary Maki. THE FARMER IN THE DELL.
This traditional singing song originated in the Middle Ages, and was brought to America in 1883 by West German immigrants. Includes music and instructions for playing the ring game. For preschool - grade 2. Print/ Braille.

RC11369 Ribes Tovar, Federico. PUERTO RICO EN MI CORAZON.

Potpourri of Puerto Rican history, heroes, scoundrels, saints, music, food, and fun. For grades 4-7. In English and Spanish.

BR08922 Schroeder, Alan. RAGTIME TUMPIE.

Tumpie, a young African-American girl, lives in the poorest section of St. Louis. But the year is 1915 and St. Louis is jumping. Ragtime music, a happy piano music, is everywhere. Tumpie loves to listen and dance to ragtime. She dreams of becoming a rich and famous honky-tonk dancer. And that's exactly what she does. A fictionalized account of the childhood of Josephine Baker. For grades K-3 to share with older readers. Print/Braille.

BR07103 Seeger, Pete. ABIYOYO.

A noisy boy and his father, a mischievous magician, are banished to the edge of town until they devise a clever scheme to save the townspeople from the dreaded giant Abiyoyo. For preschool - grade 2. Print/Braille.

RC16458 Selden, George. THE CRICKET IN TIMES SQUARE
BR05850 Befriended by young Mario, whose father owns a newsstand in the Times Square subway station, a country cricket and his musical talent turn the stand into a concert hall for commuters. For grades 3-6.

RC24451 Slote, Alfred. JAKE.
After searching for and trying a number of coaches for his Little League team, eleven-year-old Jake finds a musician whose advice helps them to win games in a spectacular way. For grades 4-7.

RC32556 Spinelli, Jerry. DUMP DAYS.
As summer begins, J.D. and his friend Duke promise themselves a perfect day. Money plays a big factor, of course, and they devise a half-dozen ways to earn it. These schemes inevitably backfire—often due to Duke's warmhearted generosity—but J.D. perseveres. An argument nearly ends the boys' friendship until some sweet violin music heard in the dark of the night brings them back together. For grades 4-7.

BR01428 Stevenson, Robert Louis. A CHILD'S GARDEN OF VERSES.
A selection of musical poems first published in England in 1885. For grades K-3.

RC13334 Sullivan, Tom. TOM SULLIVAN'S ADVENTURES IN DARKNESS.

First-person account of the life of a successful entertainer, composer, and amateur athlete who has been blind since birth. For grades 5-8 and older interested readers.

RC33741 Tanenhaus, Sam. LOUIS ARMSTRONG.

Louis Armstrong was born into a poor New Orleans family at the turn of the century. When he was thirteen, he got into trouble and was sent to reform school. There he got his hands on a horn. He was already using his voice to make music, but now he was hooked. Later, in Storyville, the young cornetist attracted bandleader "King" Oliver 's attention. Armstrong went on to become known around the world as "Satchmo." For grades 6-9 and older r eaders.

RC34152 Thompson, Wendy. LUDWIG VAN BEETHOVEN.

Americans fought for independence, the French rebelled, and Napoleon became a hero. Meanwhile, Ludwig, a boy growing up in a musical family in Bonn, was becoming interested in the events that were rapidly changing his world. When he moved to Vienna, he supported himself by playing the piano. Soon he was famous all over the world for the music he wrote reflecting the troubled times he lived in. For grades 6-9 and older readers.

RC34153 **Thompson, Wendy. WOLFGANG AMADEUS MOZART.**
Two hundred years ago a young composer named Mozart died when he was only thirty-five years old. But he wrote so much beautiful music in his short lifetime that he became one of the most beloved composers who ever lived. As a musician he was treated like a servant, and paid to make music for wealthy patrons. Mozart was not comfortable with this arrangement and tried to earn a living as an independent artist. For grades 6-9 and older readers.

BR01670 **Towne, Mary. THE GLASS ROOM.**
Frantic to escape the noise and confusion of his unconventional musical family, Rob is drawn to the soundproof glass room where Simon's architect father works in peace. His friend Simon, however, hates the neatness, silence, and precision of both his father and the glass room. For grades 5-8.

BR00956 **Turkle, Brinton. THE FIDDLER OF HIGH LONESOME.**
A regional folktale about an orphan who played the fiddle so beautifully that it compelled man and beast to dance. For grades 3-6.

BR00110 **Updike, John. THE RING.**
A retelling of Wagner's opera "Siegfried" with background information and musical themes included. Gr. 5-8.

BR01968 Vance, Marguerite. A RAINBOW FOR ROBIN.
Twelve-year-old Robin, who is blind, is a very talented pianist. When she won honorable mention in a symphony contest two years ago, she was quite satisfied. This year, however, she is determined to win the contest. For grades 4-6.

RC22727 Walter, Mildred Pitts. TY'S ONE-MAN BAND.
An original American folktale in which a boy discovers a peg-legged stranger who claims to be a one-man band. For grades K-3 and older readers.

RC14363 Warfel, Diantha. THE VIOLIN CASE CASE.
Bax's aunt leaves him a beautiful and apparently very valuable old violin for the summer. Right away, strange things begin to happen and Bax finds himself in the middle of a mystery. For grades 4-7.

RC19127 Weik, Mary Hays. THE JAZZ MAN.
Lame and lonely, isolated because he lives on the top floor of a Harlem tenement, young Zeke loves listening to the jazz pianist in a neighboring apartment. But when Zeke's real troubles begin, not even the Jazz Man or his musical dreams can help. A heartfelt story for grades 3-6.

RC22428 **Williams, Vera B. MUSIC, MUSIC FOR EVERYONE.**
Rosa and her friends come up with a wonderful idea for earning money to help her mother with expenses while her grandmother is ill. Sequel to "A Chair for My M[illegible]her" (RC22879) For grades K-3.

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